

(4) Today

Section 1.2: Chemical Foundations

Sections 1.3: Physical-Chemical Foundations

Next Class (5)

Section 1.4: Genetic Foundations

Chap 2: Water and Its Role in Life

(6) Second Class from Today

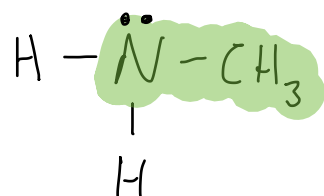
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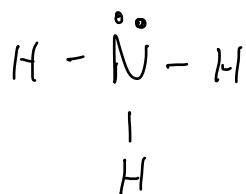
Chap 3: Amino Acids, Peptides, and Proteins

Amines



weak
base

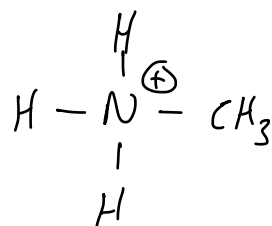
H-bond donor + acceptor
improves water solubility of
alkyl groups (up to 3 C's) if NH bonds are present



weak
base

H-bond donor + acceptor

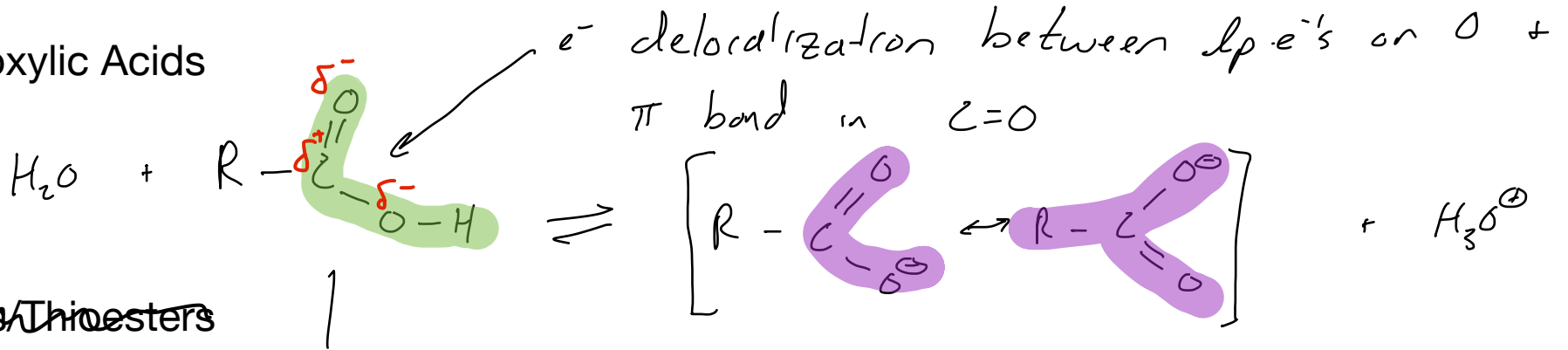
nucleophiles but at physiological pH they are
protonated



so to use them as

nucleophiles they have to be deprotonated

Carboxylic Acids



~~Esters/Thioesters~~

H-bond donor +
acceptor
weak acid

at physiological pH **carboxylic acids**
tend to be **carboxylates**

H-bond acceptor
weak base

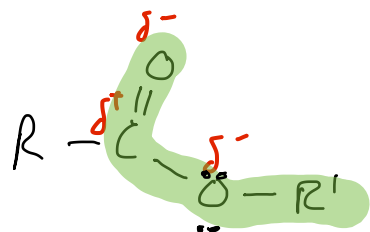
weakly nucleophilic

~~Amines~~

electrophilic C atom

~~Acyl Phosphates~~

Carboxylic Acids



H-bond acceptors
 Interacts well with water similar
 solubility to alcohols

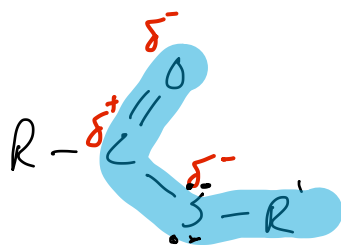
$R' \neq H$ R is a carbon containing group

Esters/Thioesters

the carbonyl C atom is electrophilic

the O atoms don't typically react as nucleophiles

Amides



$R' = H$

lp e^- on ester O + thioester S
 are delocalized ... so stronger than
 a single bond, but S orbitals are
 in the $n=3$ shell. They don't interact
 as well as O's $n=2$ shell orbitals do
 with C's $n=2$ shell orbitals.
 So thioesters are more reactive than
 esters

Acyl Phosphates

~~Carboxylic Acids~~

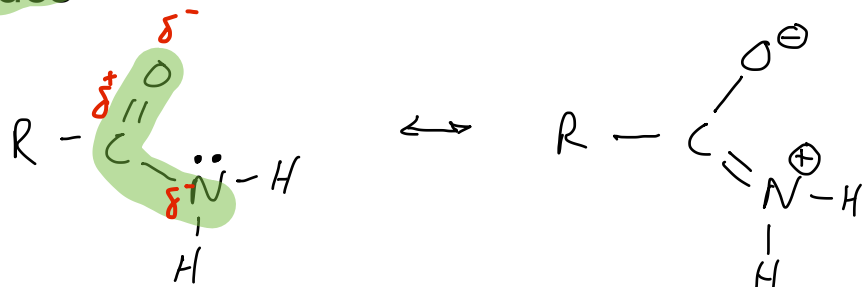
H-bond donors + H-bond acceptors

weakly basic ... not as basic as amines because
e⁻ delocalization

~~Esters/Thioesters~~

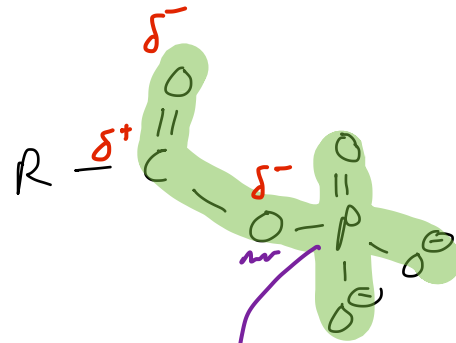
weakly nucleophilic N atom
carbonyl C atom is electrophilic

Amides



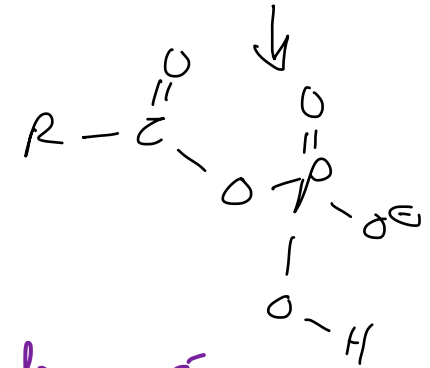
~~Acyl Phosphates~~

~~Carboxylic Acids~~



H-bond acceptors + donors

at physio pH



~~Esters/Thioesters~~

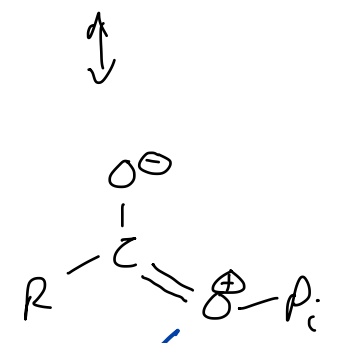
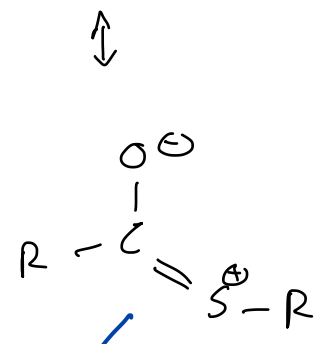
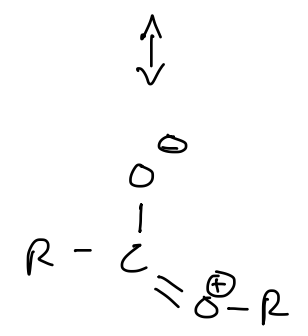
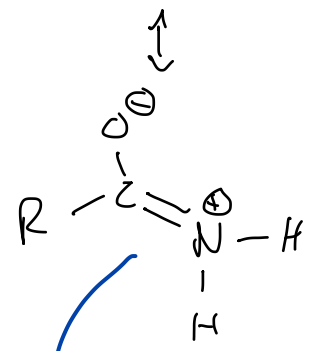
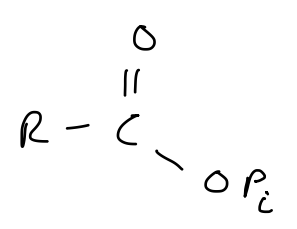
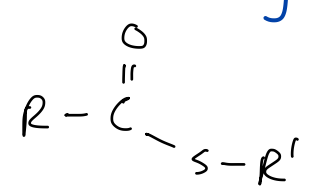
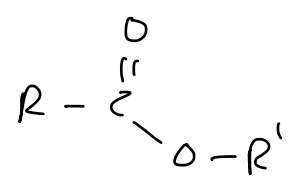
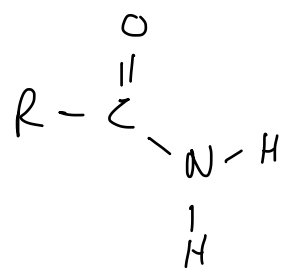
high oxidation state of P draws e^-
density from O which in turn draws
 e^- density from the C.

The C is electrophilic

~~Amides~~

Acyl Phosphates

$\xrightarrow{\hspace{10em}}$ increasing reactivity $\xleftarrow{\hspace{10em}}$



strongest bond
 most π character
 N can support \oplus
 charge better than
 O

weaker than
 C-O or C-N
 because orbital
 size mismatch

this O atom
 is extra \oplus
 because of
 the highly
 oxidized P
 atom next to
 it

P_i is shorthand for inorganic phosphate